



5th Annual Spring Fling in the Mountains Weekend Agenda

DATE: April 19- 22, 2012

PLACE: Blue Ridge, GA

What is Spring Fling in the Mountains? Started 5 years ago by a group of Orlando Police retirees, the Spring Fling has grown to include L.E.O.'s from multiple agencies both active duty and retired. There is plenty for everyone to do in Blue Ridge, GA. We welcome **EVERYONE** and know you will have a GREAT time! We are VERY excited about this year and have worked hard to make it our best Fling yet!!!

Contact: Mike or Cathy Holloway-706-374-1534, or any of the people listed below.

Host Hotel: **Comfort Inn & Suites**
Reference: SPRING FLING
Toll Free: 888-223-7776 or email info@comfortinnofblueridge.com
Rates: \$62.00 single/double
Reservation Cut Off Date: March 19, 2012 – After that Rates will be subject to change.

Camping:

Blue Ridge Mineral Springs RV – Closest to downtown Blue Ridge, talk to Rick (owner) and tell him our group name. He'll take good care of you. <http://www.blueridgemineralspringsrvpark.com> Phone 706-632-5010. Neil McDonald arranged our discount and owns the cabin next door!

Rivers Edge Mountain RV Resort - www.riversedgemountainrvresort.com

Larry Beal has secured a discounted rate. Be sure to mention the Spring Fling when you make reservations. 828-361-4517, ask for Bob.

Toccoa Valley Campgrounds - www.toccoavalleycampgrounds.com is in the Aska Adventure Area. 706-838-4317.

Bed & Breakfast:

Horse Creek Stables – A wonderful Bed & Breakfast on an actual working horse farm.
www.horsecreekstableandlodging.com Ask for Lester Phone: 706-455-3060.

Cabin Rentals:

Contact Mike or Cathy Holloway for the name of someone who can rent you their cabin or contact one of the companies below.

Southern Comfort Cabin Rentals www.southerncomfortcabinrentals.com

www.abovetherestcabin.com Cabins in My Mountain. Phone: 706-374-2057

www.cabinsbysundance.com - Barbara Stone and her husband run a wonderful cabin rental company here in Blue Ridge and comes highly recommended by a couple of our retirees.
Phone: 888-881-3286

www.firstclasscabins.com - also highly recommended by several OPD people.
Phone: 1-877-4-GA-MTNS

More Cabin Rental Companies:

Backwoods Cabin Rentals www.backwoodscabinrentals.com

Mountain Adventure Vacations www.mountainadventurevacations.com

Blue Ridge Mountain Cabins www.blueridgemountaincabins.net

SPRING FLING AGENDA 2012

Thursday April 19th, 2012

Dinner at BLUE ORLEANS -pay your own way. This is a change from previous years and is located in downtown Blue Ridge. After dinner take a walk around downtown, drop by the Blue Ridge Brewery or take in a drive in movie at the Swan Drive in (one of only 6 left in GA)
Arrive between 6 PM-7PM.



Friday and Saturday – April 20 & 21, 2012

Breakfast – complimentary for hotel guests, served in the lobby.

Activities Available: We don't have organized activities which allows for families or groups to go off and do what interests them. There is **SO** much to do up here that it is impossible to list them all. Some of the activities are physically demanding but most are not. If you have a favorite activity please contact Cathy and she will send out information for you. You can also go to our Chamber of Commerce site (www.blueridgemountains.com). They have downloadable tour maps for driving/walking/hiking tours/Waterfalls and lists of attractions.

- * Gambling - Murphy, NC- Electronic Games only. Email Cathy for info.
- * Shopping in Downtown Blue Ridge – Visit our array of unique antique and specialty stores.
- * Horse Trail Rides – www.adventruetrailrides.com or www.blanchemanor.com
- * Whitewater rafting on the Ocoee River-www.ocoerafting.com or www.rollingthunderriverco.com
- * Rolling Thunder River Co. also has tube trips which will be open regardless.
- * Pontoon Rentals for Lake Blue Ridge – get a group together and rent a pontoon boat for ½ day or full day. www.lakeblueridgemarina.com
- * Bike trails, Hiking trails, Motorcycle routes and scenic day drive routes. Email Cathy if you would like a map of the “Tail of the Dragon” motorcycle route. Maps of hiking and biking trails also available. Most of the scenic day drives also include views of our waterfalls.
- * Hang out and play cards at the Pavilion – you are welcome to just to sit around and chat or hang out all weekend at the Pavilion.. I will have a poker set available and some board games if anyone wants to play. We'll be happy to show you how the coffee maker works!!!

Lunch – On own both days

5:00pm Dinner on Friday – Cookout (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Wings with the fixings) **Cost: \$10.00/per person.** To be held at the Pavilion. Our entertainment will be karaoke. Liquid bravery can be provided if necessary. We promise you won't go away hungry, but we make no promises that your ears won't hurt.



5:00pm Dinner Saturday– You must be at the train station **NO LATER THAN 3:30PM TO CHECK-IN**

This year we wanted to do something **SPECIAL** for our 5th Anniversary! **SOOOOO** We will be taking a ride on the Blue Ridge Scenic Railroad and have dinner too!!!! **Cost per person \$32.00.** We are so excited about this years final night!!! We have rented the **ENTIRE TRAIN** for our group!!!! We will board the train at 4:00 (**DO NOT BE LATE!!!!**)

We'll take a ride with hor' dourves and liquid refreshment to Copperhill, TN have time to walk around Copperhill then board the train to start the return trip. The train will stop in a riverside location and we will be served a wonderful BBQ Dinner catered by *Shane's BBQ of Ellijay* . After dinner we will return to the train for the remaining trip back downtown. In case of incimate weather we will be having our dinner at Pete Thomas's Pavilion on Hwy 5 (not far from the hotel) Pete is a retired Orlando Fire Dept. and he has a wonderful Pavilion where they hold their reunion. The standard fee for just the train ride is \$33.00 per person. We have the whole train and dinner for \$32.00.

- * Blue Ridge Scenic Train ride - www.brscenic.com

Sunday April 22, 2012

Breakfast – complimentary for hotel guest

Check out or stay a little longer and enjoy the activities of North Georgia!!!

As more activities become available we will put out a notice. If you have any questions at all, please feel free to call Mike Holloway at 706-374-1534 or email at mike@hollowayrealtors.com. I can mail you information on any activity or send you a packet on the area to help you plan your trip.

RSVP and mail payment for dinners to Mike Holloway no later than March 30, 2012. Please make checks payable to Mike Holloway (\$42.00 per person for both Friday & Saturday night dinners) Mail payment to: P.O. Box 745; Mineral Bluff, GA 30559

Mike and Cathy Holloway (OPD) 706-851-7513 (Mike's cell)

Mike@HollowayRealtors.com

Cathy@HollowayRealtors.com

Or

Bob Fuller (OCSO) 407-310-0266 fairbanks46@aol.com

For updates, contact above or "Like" us on Facebook (Orlando Police Dept Spring Fling in the Mountains) or go to www.HollowayRealtors.com and look for the L.E.O. Spring Fling link at the bottom of the home page.

Return this portion with payment to : Mike Holloway, P.O. Box 745, Mineral Bluff, GA 30559
Please print, we need the names of each person in attendance for name tags.

Names: _____

Dept (ie: OPD, OCSO etc...) _____

Active or Retired _____

If you would like more information on any particular activity just let us know and we'll send it to you: (activities, driving maps, golf courses, waterfall maps, etc..) _____

Our local Chamber of Commerce website has a tremendous amount of information about the area. www.blueridgemountains.com

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Friday Night @ \$10.00 x _____ people = _____

Saturday Night @ \$32.00 x _____ people = _____

Total Enclosed = _____

Mail your check by March 30th please.